

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday March 4th 2007

IRTS 75th Annual General Meeting

Arrangements are well in hand for the Society's 75th Annual General Meeting to be held at the Vienna Woods Hotel in Cork on Sunday April 22nd. The weekend celebrations will follow the usual format with the 75th Jubilee Dinner being held on the Saturday night. Tickets prices have been maintained at last years level and are great value at only 30 Euro.

Several high profile international guests will attend the dinner and AGM and included are Dave Sumner K1ZZ, Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union and C.E.O. of the ARRL, the American National Society. Also joining us will be the Chairman of Region 1 IARU Ole Garpestad LA2RR and the Presidents of several other sister national societies in Region 1.

All the rooms at the Vienna Woods Hotel have been reserved and there are still a few available and these must be booked through Dave EI4BZ. For those not wishing to stay at the Vienna Woods Hotel, there is an IBIS Hotel very near the venue and the rates there are 82 Euro for a double room and 60 Euro for a single room. Bookings should be made directly with the IBIS Hotel on 021-4354354. If anybody needs a B & B or Hostel organised, contact Dave EI4BZ on 087-6290574.

The Committee is obliged by rule to nominate members for the positions of President, Vice President and eleven committee positions. These nominations will be carried in the upcoming issue of Echo Ireland. This does not preclude other nominations for any of the positions and further nominations must be made to the Secretary within fourteen days of receiving the committee's lists of nominations. Members should read rule 23 covering nominations for office.

The Society has several awards for honouring members who have excelled in some aspect of the hobby. Nominations for these awards are now being sought and should be forwarded to the Awards Manager, Peter Grant EI4HX. Members in possession of trophies since last years AGM are requested to arrange for their return to EI4HX or any committee member as soon as possible. The AGM rally will be held on Sunday April 22nd at the Vienna Woods Hotel and requests for tables should be directed to Dave EI4BZ on 087-6290574. There will be no charge for tables, which will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Limerick Radio Club

The 2007 Annual General Meeting of Limerick Radio Club took place at the Limerick Institute of Technology on Thursday last, the 22nd of February. It was nice to see such a good turn-out of members present on the night.

The following Officers and Committee were elected; Chairman is Dermot Gleeson EI2GT and Hon Secretary is Michael Kingston EI2IX and Hon Treasurer Tony Condon EI2AW.

Committee members are as follows; Alan Cronin EI8EM, Albert Lahoud EI9IY, John Edgeworth EI6IW and Simon Kenny EI7ALB. The Trustees are; Albert Lahoud EI9IY, Alan Cronin EI8EM and Michael Kingston EI2IX.

LRC: Radio, Electronics and Hobbies Exhibition

The Radio, Electronics and Hobbies Exhibition takes place on Sunday 11th March 2007 at the Greenhills Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. The usual traders will be in attendance. Those wishing to book a table for the Bring and Buy should contact Dermot EI2GT at 0872352028 or email to “ei2gt at eircom dot net” as soon as possible. The cost of a table will be €10.

Return of Trophies

Congratulations to the winners of IRTS trophies for Contests and Awards, at the 2006 AGM. Please note that the deadline for return of Trophies is the 11th of March. This is to allow time for up dating engraving, and any minor repairs, which may be needed. Trophies may be returned to any IRTS Committee Member before that date, or to the IRTS stand at the Limerick RC Rally, on the 11th of March, or by post to EI4HX at QTHR.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group took place on Wednesday the 28th of February last. The committee for the coming year is as follows; Chairperson is Mark Wall EI7IS, Vice Chairperson is John Ronan EI7IG and John McCarthy EI8JA takes the position of secretary while Michael Hoban EI5DCB remains in place as Treasurer and Nicky Madigan EI3JB will remain on as PRO.

The following committee officers were elected; Mary Foley EI1526, Eddie Steadman EI9DJB and Egidio Giani EI9EQ. Egidio Giani and John McCarthy remain in place as

the clubs trustees.

The group would like to thank all who attended and look forward to the coming year. The next committee meeting will take place this coming Wednesday the 7th of March at 8.00 p.m. Committee members are asked to attend.

Rallies

The following rallies are scheduled to take place during March and April 2007. On Saturday the 24th of March, the Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society holds its rally in Lisburn. The date of the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Show has been changed to Sunday the 22nd of April at the Share Centre Lisnaskea Co. Fermanagh.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Mark Wall, EI7IS at QTHR or by phone to 051-853806 or 087-6302026. Items for the radio news can also be faxed to 087 5 6302026. News should be submitted via e-mail to “news at irts dot ie” for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Friday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday’s bulletin.

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